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My Dear Dr. Gray,

We have heard nothing from you for a long time but Mrs. Cauley and myself have been thinking a great deal about you and Mrs. Gray, and you promised visit "about the end of January".

We have put the children through the croup and have taken leave of the colds lately so fashionable and so are now all ready to receive you: and are looking forward with great pleasure to the time of your visit.

We hope this may be soon and that you are intending to make us a good one and not merely a call between trains. We want to have the Redfields down while you are here

I had a very pleasant interview with  
Dr. Hayden a little time since. He  
spoke enthusiastically of the western  
journey in your company. He did  
mention in a letter received yester-  
day from Alameda. I hope the  
story of your wanderings will not be  
so old by the time you are here that  
you will not want to recount it  
again.

Mrs. Cauley writes with me in kind-  
est regards to yourself and Mr. Gray  
and in the hope that we shall some  
time have the privilege of welcoming you  
here.

As ever yours, sincerely

Wm. Cauley